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1. Reportedly, the Rumanian corn harvest has been completely ruined as a result of the summer's prolonged drought. Corn meal was selling in mid-September 1950 at 80 lei per kilogram. As a consequence of the shortage of feed, cattle are being exported in abnormally large numbers.
2. Sour black wheat bread, heavily adulterated with bran and other fillers, sells on the Rumanian free market at 140 lei per kilogram. The high price of this bread may be judged from the fact that at the official rate the lei stands at 150 to the dollar; at the free rate, 500 to the dollar.
3. In late August 1950, wheat flour sold on the Rumanian free market at 100 lei per kilogram.

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